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YES on Prop. 67 will make sure that rapid response emergency medical care is available when you and your family need it most.

We are facing a crisis in emergency care. According to government reports, there are 64 fewer hospital emergency rooms and trauma centers available for patients in California than there were just a decade ago. Experts predict that many more emergency rooms and trauma centers will close. Children, families and seniors will lose access to doctors, nurses, critical medical equipment, medicines and essential emergency care.

Emergency rooms throughout California are severely overcrowded. Patients face long lines and wait times. Firefighters, paramedics, doctors and nurses are overwhelmed and lack the resources to provide quality lifesaving care that every patient deserves.

A YES vote on Prop. 67 will provide needed funds to help:

- Keep hospital emergency rooms, trauma centers and health clinics open and operational
- Prevent long lines and wait times at local emergency rooms
- Attract and retain highly skilled physicians, nurses, and medical staff at our local emergency rooms and trauma centers
- Provide critical emergency medical equipment and technology
- Support local health clinics that treat non-emergency patients and preserve our emergency rooms for real emergencies
- Equip and train firefighters and paramedics who are often the first to respond and provide medical care in emergencies
- Upgrade our 911 emergency telephone system

Prop. 67 funds emergency medical care with a modest increase to the existing surcharge on

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telephone use for the 911 system. Prop. 67 caps the amount a phone company can bill residential telephone customers for the new surcharge at 50 cents per month. The new surcharge does not apply to out-of-state long distance calls and senior citizens and others on basic lifeline phone rates are completely exempt from the additional cost.

For just pennies each month we can preserve emergency care for California's children, families and seniors. None of the money from Prop. 67 can be taken away by the Legislature to be used for other purposes.

You never know when you will need a paramedic, emergency room doctor or nurse. YES on Prop. 67 will make sure that emergency medical care is available when you and your family need it most.

SAVE EMERGENCY CARE. SAVE LIVES.

Please join firefighters, paramedics, doctors, nurses and patients in voting YES on Prop. 67.

For more information, visit [www.saveemergencycare.org](http://www.saveemergencycare.org)

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